

2010 ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY INCENTIVE PROGRAM (EQIP)

GRAND LAKE ST. MARY'S WATERSHED ALLOCATION SUMMARY

136 EQIP Program Contracts

\$2,158,000 Allocated in FY2010

Filter Strips/Buffers – Strips or areas of grass/legume vegetation situated between cropland and environmentally sensitive areas. Filter Strips/ Buffers reduce sediment and sediment contaminant loadings in runoff.

- 5 participants
- 42 acres
- \$13,000 allocated

Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plans (CNMP) – A comprehensive plan designed as a tool to manage the amount, source, placement, form, and timing of the applications of nutrients and soil amendments.

- 10 participants
- \$30,000 allocated

Manure Transfer – Hauling/transferring nutrients from one geographic area with excess nutrients to a geographic area that can utilize the nutrients in an acceptable manner.

- 35 participants
- 17.5 million gallons liquid and 14,500 tons solid transferred
- \$220,000 allocated

Cover Crops – Areas of grass/legume crops planted to provide seasonal protection of bare soil. Cover crops help improve soil and water quality by reducing soil erosion, and capturing/recycling nutrients in the soil profile.

- 69 participants
- 6680 acres
- \$365,000 allocated

Manure Storage Facilities/Covered Lots – Storing/covering animal waste in order to maximize their use as soil amendments in an environmentally safe manner.

- 20 participants
- \$1,480,000 allocated

Miscellaneous – Best Management Practices designed to protect, restore, improve, and enhance our natural resource base. Ex) Grass Waterways, Conservation Crop Rotation, etc.

- 8 participants
- \$50,000 allocated

Approximate \$ Figures
Participants involved in multiple practices
Practices may be installed in subsequent years depending on contract implementation schedule